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### KENTUCKY INVENTORS PORTRAYED IN MUSEUM THEATRE PERFORMANCE

FRANKFORT, Ky. (March 18, 2004) – On Saturdays during March and April, at 1 and 3:30 p.m., a new theatre production will salute the spirit of Kentucky inventors. Held at the Kentucky History Center, these performances will feature inventors Nathan Stubblefield, an early broadcasting pioneer; Garrett Morgan, an African American who invented the gas mask; and Matthew Sellers, designed improvements in aviation. These performances are free.

Developed and performed by Greg Hardison, museum theatre assistant, this 20-minute-long production called "Who'd Thunk It? (Inventing Kentucky History)," touches everything from Bibb lettuce to the tri-colored traffic light, along with early attempts at radio transmission and flight. Museum Theatre Coordinator, Mike Thomas adds, "We've packaged a lot of fact-filled information into one fast-paced performance."

For more information about the Kentucky Historical Society's theatre performances, visit the Web at <http://history.ky.gov> or call (502) 564-1792, ext. 4454.

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